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NOTICE OF PENDING LEGISLATION		18 January 1956
NOTICE OF I	PENDING LEGISLATION	LEGISLATIVE BILL NO.
SECTION I		E. R. 8136
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Comptroller COC FROM: LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL		LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL
DD/S		OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL
THE ATTACHED BILL. WHI	CH HAS BEEN INTRODUCED INTO CON	VODEGO
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SENT TO YOU FOR	INFORMATION ONLY.	
A BILL ON WHICH	FAVORABLE CONGRESSIONAL ACTION	IS IS NOT PREDICTED.
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SENT FOR YOUR COL	AMENT AS TO WHETHER IT IS OF IN	TEREST TO CIA ACTIVITIES, AND WHETHER
FURTHER ACTION B	THIS OFFICE IS NECESSARY OR D	ESIRED.
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- 1. The proposed bill could present a problem in connection with the Director's responsibilities under Section 102(d)(3) of the NS Act of 1947. and Section 7 of the CIA Act of 1949 to protect "intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure. The bill requires the Director of the Bureau of the Budget to submit a comprehensive report with respect to financial results of the activities of all branches of the Government "ani of each executive agency thereof. The report is to contain information "in such detail as the Director / of Budget shall prescribe, relating to all the operations and activities of such Agency. . and such other pertinent data as the Director determines to be necessary to carry out the purposes of this section." The bill further requires the head of each executive agency to "furnish such information as the Director of the Bureau of the Budget may require for the purpose of preparing the comprehensive report herein provided for." Although it is believed likely that the Director of CIA, under Section 102(d)(3) of the NS Act of 1947, may deny information to the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, there is the possibility that members or committees of Congress, to say nothing of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, might think otherwise particularly in view of the fact that the proposed bill will have been enacted subsequent to the enactment of the NS Act. It also might be argued that since the proviso in Section 7 of the CIA Act prohibits the Director of the Bureau of the Budget from making a report to Congress under a statute name therein, the absence of such a proviso with respect to the present bill means that no prohibition is intended.
- 2. It is suggested that the Legislative Counsel keep an eye on the progress of this bill so that the Agency will be in a position to consider whether appropriate steps need be taken in view of the above.

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